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NORTHEASTERN STATES

Theme: Better Agricultural Planning -
A Key to National Welfare

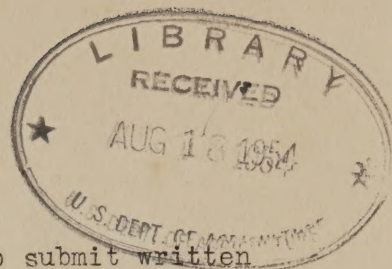
Extension Directors (Special Conference March 2)
State Leaders and Assistant State Leaders of
County Agricultural Agents
State Leaders and Assistant State Leaders of
County Home Demonstration Agents
Farm Management Specialists
Home Management Specialists
House Furnishings Specialists

Victoria Hotel, New York City

March 3 - 5, 1938

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CONFERENCE DISCUSSION AND SUMMARIES



1. Discussion

All members of the conference are encouraged to submit written questions following the presentation of each topic on the general-session program. These questions will be collected by the session secretaries and referred to the speakers for reply.

2. Session Secretaries

A. General

- a. General sessions' secretaries for Thursday and Friday will prepare a short written summary of talks, discussion, and questions and transmit to L. R. Simons, New York, by 6:00 p. m. Friday.
- b. The general-session secretary for Saturday will submit a summary to L. R. Simons by 1:30 p. m. Saturday.

B. Sectional

- a. Section secretaries for Thursday and Friday will submit a short written summary of the discussion of their meeting to their group representatives by 5:00 p. m. Friday.
- b. The section secretaries for Saturday will submit a summary to L. R. Simons by 1:30 p. m. Saturday.

3. Group Representatives

The following group representatives will receive summaries from section secretaries, prepare a digest of the summaries, and give it to L. R. Simons, New York, by 6:00 p. m. Friday:

County agent leaders--R. K. Clapp, Connecticut
Home demonstration leaders--Estelle Nason, Maine
Home management specialists--Jessie Hinton, Maryland
Farm management specialists--H. R. Varney, Vermont

4. Review and Recommendations

- A. The extension directors will review the digests presented to L. R. Simons by the group representatives and decide upon points which are to be emphasized in all States during the coming year.
- B. W. A. Munson, Massachusetts, will present at the general session on Saturday the recommendations of the directors.

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EXTENSION DIRECTORS

Wednesday, March 2

10:00 a. m. Room 336,
Victoria Hotel - Extension Directors' meeting

12:30 p. m. Adjourn for lunch

2:00 p. m. Room 336,
Victoria Hotel - Reconvene

5:00 p. m. Adjourn

GENERAL SESSION

Thursday, March 3

East Ballroom

9:30 a. m. Chairman: L. R. Simons, New York
Secretary: G. E. Lord, Maine

1. In the development of a national farm and home program, what outstanding problems confront the Extension Service in the Northeast?

Reuben Brigham, Assistant Director of Extension,
United States Department of Agriculture

Discussion

2. What is agricultural planning? How may extension work be adjusted in terms of land use and agricultural planning?

J. E. Carrigan, Vermont
Marjorie Luce, Vermont

Discussion

3. What are the chief problems of farm families in the lower-income group; and how may we work more effectively in meeting these problems?

J. C. Kendall, New Hampshire
Katherine B. Head, Regional Section Chief,
Director of Home Economics, Farm Security
Administration

Discussion

12:30 p. m. Luncheon

2:00-5:00 p.m. Section meeting

6:00-8:00 p.m. Informal dinner, Victoria Hotel
L. R. Simons, New York, presiding

GENERAL SESSION

Friday, March 4

East Ballroom

9:30 a. m.

Chairman: Marion Butters, New Jersey
Secretary: E. I. Oswald, Maryland

1. What is happening in the Northeast with regard to factors influencing farm management?
Sherman Johnson, In Charge, Farm Management and Costs, Bureau of Agricultural Economics

Discussion

2. To what extent should farms in the Northeast produce the family food supply?
F. A. Harper, New York
Venia M. Kellar, Maryland

Discussion

3. What problems in rural homes indicate need for an extension program in home management? What should this program emphasize during the next 5 years?
A. L. Deering, Maine

Discussion

4. What are problems in family living which financial planning can help solve? How?
Day Monroe, Chief, Economics Division,
Bureau of Home Economics

Discussion

12:30 p. m. Luncheon

2:00-5:00 p. m. Section meetings

GENERAL SESSION

Saturday, March 5

East Ballroom

11:00 a. m.

Chairman: R. B. Corbett, Connecticut
Secretary: Beatrice Billings, Massachusetts

1. What are some of the problems in job analysis, personnel training, and management?

Discussion opened by P. W. Melton, United
States Department of Agriculture

2. What adjustments shall we make in extension programs as a result of this conference?

W. A. Munson, Massachusetts

Discussion

12:30 p. m.

Adjournment

COUNTY AGENT LEADERS' SECTION

Thursday, March 3

Empress Room

2:00 p. m.

Chairman: E. A. Gauntt, New Jersey
Secretary: R. H. Gist, West Virginia

1. How can we help county workers to plan and use their time for the basic and most needed phases of their program?

How help them to sense the major needs?

H. W. Hochbaum, United States Department
of Agriculture.

How help them to eliminate greatest possible amount of detail and routine work?

L. A. Muckle, New York
R. F. Fricke, New York

How help them to conserve their health?

R. H. Hewitt, Rhode Island

Discussion

2. How may we best balance the old and new phases of the extension program?

H. W. Soule, Vermont

Discussion

3. How can we increase the effectiveness of our work with farm families in the lower income group?

R. C. Dolloff, Maine

Discussion

Friday, March 4

Empress Room

2:00 p. m.

Chairman: J. M. Fry, Pennsylvania
Secretary: R. F. Fricke, New York

1. Round table conference on matters not scheduled for other section meetings. County agent leaders please list topics they wish to have brought up and hand them to Mr. Fry before 6:00 p. m. on Thursday.

JOINT SESSION

County Agent Leaders
Farm Management Specialists

3:30 p. m.

Chairman: H. W. Soule, Vermont
Secretary: G. E. Bond, Rhode Island

2. Problems and approaches in agricultural planning in the Northeast.
L. M. Vaughan, United States Department of Agriculture.

Discussion by B. W. Allin, United States Department of Agriculture.

3. What is our responsibility in county agricultural planning?
F. B. Morris, New York

Discussion

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Saturday, March 5

Farm Management Specialists
County Agent Leaders

9:30 a. m. Empress Room

Chairman: V. B. Hart, New York
Secretary: R. H. Hewitt, Rhode Island

1. How can we help farmer committeemen prepare themselves to better guide local farmers in making their adjustments?
H. R. Varney, Vermont

Discussion

2. How we developed a coordinated dairy farm extension program in Connecticut.
P. L. Putnam, Connecticut

Discussion

3. What are the problems which the county agent must recognize in his efforts to develop more effective farm leadership?
L. A. Muckle, New York

Discussion

11:00 a. m.

General Session

HOME DEMONSTRATION LEADERS' SECTION

Thursday, March 3

Marine Room

2:00 p. m.

Chairman: Mrs. Annette T. Herr, Massachusetts
Secretary: Daisy D. Williamson, New Hampshire

Theme: Health - Housing - Income

Discussion topics:

1. Recognizing that ill-health, poor housing, and low incomes are common problems in many rural areas, do we need to adjust our home demonstration machinery to cope with these major issues more effectively?
2. To what extent may we coordinate home demonstration efforts with other agencies working on these needs?
3. To what extent may we mobilize our volunteer local leadership to serve in this connection?

Friday, March 4

2:00 p. m.

Chairman: Dr. Ruby Green Smith, New York
Secretary: Margaret Brown, Pennsylvania

Theme: What readjustments are needed in supervisory programs to strengthen home demonstration work?

Discussion topics:

1. How many State leaders help home demonstration agents and specialists to make greater use of the "problem approach" in program planning?
2. Relating home economics research, resident teaching, and extension. Programs? Problems? Outlook?
3. Recreation, dramatics, reading, and music: Shall these cultural phases constitute a home demonstration program as such, or shall they supplement the so-called "regular" homemaking program?

Saturday, March 5

9:30 a. m.

JOINT SESSION

State home demonstration leaders
Home management specialists
Home furnishings specialists

Chairman: Edith Mason, Connecticut
Secretary: Edith Morton, Pennsylvania
Theme: Coordinating Efforts of Specialists

Discussion topic:

1. How may we better coordinate home management with other home economics extension projects?

FARM MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS' SECTION

Thursday, March 3

Room 336

2:00 p. m.

Chairman: R. O. Stelzer, Delaware
Secretary: Austin Goth, West Virginia

1. To what extent does the land classification work in New York State call for a modification of farm management recommendations?
V. B. Hart, New York
2. An appraisal of the farm-inventory campaign in light of the basis now required for credit ratings.
R. E. Moser, Massachusetts
3. A discussion of the problems involved in a coordination of farm management and D.H.I.A. records.
E. L. Moffitt, Pennsylvania
4. The problems of adjustment in the mountain areas of New Hampshire, the proposed approaches to their solution, and how to proceed in getting action.
H. C. Woodworth, New Hampshire

Friday, March 4

JOINT SESSION

Farm management specialists
Home management specialists

2:00 p. m. Room 338

Chairman: L. C. Cunningham, New York
Secretary: Jessie Hinton, Maryland

Theme: The Family Approach to Management Problems

Discussion topics:

1. How may extension workers analyze problems and develop the family approach in financial planning? How are we helping farm families to analyze their resources and to plan the farm and home business accordingly?

Smith McIntire, Maine
Edna Cobb, Maine

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E. A. Flansburgh, New York

Discussion

11:00 a. m. East Ballroom

General session

HOME MANAGEMENT AND HOUSE FURNISHINGS SPECIALISTS' SECTION

Thursday, March 3

JOINT SESSION

Home Management Specialists
House Furnishing Specialists

2:00-5:00 p. m.

Chairman: Ann F. Beggs, New Hampshire
Secretary: Blanche Coit, Pennsylvania

Theme: How may rural families have more satisfactory
living through better housing?

2:00-2:15 p. m.

Outstanding regional problems in housing as indicated
by CWA Housing Survey and current information.
Mary Rokahr, United States Department
of Agriculture.

2:15-2:30 p. m.

How we used the CWA Housing Survey and how we keep in
touch with changing housing needs in the State.
Anne Boggs, West Virginia.

2:30-3:10 p. m.

A State Housing Program. Panel Discussion by New York
State staff. Problems, goals, methods, results and
future plans.

Grace Morin
Florence Wright
Delpha Wiesendanger
Mrs. Martha Eddy

3:10-3:35 p. m.

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3:10-3:35 p. m.

Current problems, methods and results.

1. 3:20 - 3:30 Using the Farm House Plan Service;
Making Present Farm Houses more
comfortable.
Ann Beggs, New Hampshire
2. 3:30 - 3:40 Campaigning for installation of water
systems, electrification and major
household equipment.
Mrs. Harriet Haynes, Massachusetts.
3. 3:40 - 3:50 Increasing income through tourist
home improvement.
Edna Cobb, Maine
4. 3:50 - 4:10 Home improvement work with:
4-H club members
Older girls
Mildred Murphey, New Jersey
Florence Mason, Maryland

4:10-5:00 p. m.

Round Table--Where should emphasis be placed in the
State Housing Programs during the next five years?

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Smith McIntire, Maine
Edna Cobb, Maine

3:30-4:30 p. m.

Chairman: Edna Cobb, Maine
Secretary: Ruth Minturn, Delaware

Discussion topics:

1. What problems stand in the way of more efficient homemaking as well as better housekeeping? How may the home management program help solve these problems?

Mrs. Helen Judy Bond,
Professor of Household Arts,
Teachers College,
Columbia University, New York.

Jessie Hinton, Maryland.

Discussion

4:30-5:00 p. m.

2. What are the trends in Consumer Education?
Grace Gerard, Massachusetts.

Discussion.

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